NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION: STUDENT GUIDE
WELCOME NEW STUDENTS!

Today you will begin to travel a carefully laid path that will help you become more confident and successful as you enter Columbia. Your orientation theme is Engage Columbia because we believe your participation today will empower you in your academic endeavours, as well as empower you to become knowledgeable about campus life beyond the classroom.

ABOUT TODAY

This is a full-day orientation program. You will finalize your schedule selection; meet new friends; learn about living in an inclusive community of creative scholars; learn how to begin building your portfolio for your chosen career; and begin tackling the responsibility of managing your finances. This booklet is not only a guide to the Orientation Day, but also a resource for some of the critical pieces of information that will assist in making your time here at Columbia a success.

During the day, students and guests will be separated into different programming groups. Students will interact with peers, gain insight into campus life, visit with advisors, and spend time with amazing Orientation Leaders. If you have any questions or lose your way during today’s sessions, find an Orientation Leader wearing one of the Engage Columbia shirts or just feel free to chat with them and find out about student life at Columbia. You may also stop by the information table located on the first floor of 1104 S. Wabash at any point you have questions, need directions, or even a place to store your luggage.

During lunch you and your family can explore the New Student Expo tables that feature resources and information from our campus departments and student organizations.

At the end of the day, if you have questions about your student’s financial account or tuition payment options, you will have an opportunity to make a one-on-one appointment with a Student Financial Services (SFS) advisor at 600 S. Michigan/Room 303. College advisors will also be available in their offices in 623 S. Wabash/Room 300. There will also be optional Residence Life tours leaving from 1104 S. Wabash at 2:30 p.m. and 600 S. Michigan at 4:00 p.m.

ENGAGE COLUMBIA PROGRAM

During New Student Orientation, we will introduce you to the Engage Columbia Program. Engage Columbia is a seven-week series of events offered in the fall semester designed to introduce new students to the college’s resources, and to reinforce specific ideas that encourage student success. Starting today, we will begin to introduce Engage Columbia topic areas that include: Community, Resources, Health and Safety, Diversity, Career, and Finance. We believe that if you can incorporate these areas into your daily activities and learning experiences, you are more likely to experience academic success and gain life skills that will enhance overall development. An added feature of Engage Columbia is that students can participate in the event incentive component of the program. By attending events based on the Engage Columbia topic areas, students will compete for an opportunity to win one of six scholarships. There will be two $1,500; two $1,000; and two $500 scholarships awarded at the end of the Engage Columbia Program.

As we move closer to fall semester, you will find all the Engage Columbia programming on the college’s event calendar. At the end of the seven-week program we celebrate Columbia Weekend.

• Save the date and invite your parents back to visit Columbia Weekend - October 18-19
• Attend the art crawl, student performances, and activities led by academic departments and student organizations
• Meet faculty and key administrators

Columbia Weekend registration begins in September. Visit colum.edu/columbiaweekend for additional details.

YOUR SUMMER HOMEWORK - CHECKLIST

What you should have completed before Fall ‘19:

• Be informed: CHECK YOUR EMAIL & REVIEW YOUR STUDENT HANDBOOK
• Submit any transcripts and test scores
• Submit immunizations through Med+Proctor
• Finish registering for courses
• Meet with Student Financial Services, if necessary
• Check out colum.edu/engage for all Engage Columbia events and activities.
• Plan to attend New Student Connections and Convocation on August 30th to meet faculty in your department and join in the Convocation festivities in Grant Park. (More on the “Save the Date” page)

What are you waiting for? Turn the page and let the journey begin!
## Student Schedule

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<td>Let's Talk Money</td>
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<td>The Roadmap to Your Success: Career Development Starts Now</td>
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### Joining an Inclusive Community
Joining Columbia College Chicago is not only a commitment to academic success and career exploration but also a commitment to personal development through the collaboration of different ideas, concepts, and perspectives. Engage with peers in a highly interactive session while exploring your responsibility as a member of this diverse and creative community.

### Joining a Safe and Supportive Community
Meet staff from Safety and Security and the Dean of Students Office who will provide you with support, resources and services as you navigate Columbia in pursuit of your academic and personal goals. Offices such as the Counseling Center, Student Health and Support, Services for Students with Disabilities, Student Relations, Equity Issues, and Health Education will present you with information for when the unexpected happens. Additionally, Safety and Security will provide you with information on how they strive to create a safe environment for you and the Columbia College Chicago community.

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and pursue meaningful career-related experiences. Learn how to set yourself apart by taking the right steps that will help you land your first internship and launch your future career.

2:15 - 3:30 P.M.  CAMPUS CARD PICK UP
1104 S. Wabash, 1st Floor, Conaway Center

END OF DAY ACADEMIC SUPPORT
623 S. Wabash - Room 300
If you still have questions or need some support with creating your first-semester schedule, Academic Advisors will be available to answer questions and assist with making schedule modifications. Stop in!

2:30 - 4:00 P.M.  STUDENT FINANCIAL SERVICES
ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS
600 S. Michigan, 3rd Floor
Join SFS for a detailed explanation of your student account. In this personalized session, you’ll work one-on-one with SFS consultant to navigate your account information on your student portal.

2:30 - 4:00 P.M.  RESIDENCE LIFE TOURS
Tour One:
Departing from Conaway (2:30pm)

Tour Two:
Departing from Tour Center 600 S. Michigan (4:00pm)

Be sure to check out some campus spaces for shopping and resources:

OPEN FOR SHOPPING

CAMPUS BOOKSTORE
624 S. Michigan, 1st Floor
Open until 4:00 p.m. during Orientation days
Stop by and learn more about your student’s books for the semester from the experts. Also be sure to grab Columbia swag like sweatshirts, stickers, coffee mugs, headphones and more!

SHOPCOLUMBIA
619 S. Wabash
Open Monday - Friday, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Art, jewelry, clothing, music, notebooks, and more—all made by Columbia students and alumni, with proceeds going right back to the artists. Visit ShopColumbia to see and learn more.

THE LIBRARY
624 S. Michigan, 1st Floor
It’s not technically shopping, but they have books, music, sheet music, movies, art, archives, coffee. Get to know the Library through and through and become a real Columbia insider.

THANK YOU
Thank you so much for attending New Student Orientation and for making Columbia College Chicago your choice to further your education. You receive a lot of information today and it may seem overwhelming. No need to worry, email newstudents@colum.edu or call New Student Programs at 312.369.8675 if you need more information. We look forward to helping you navigate Columbia and supporting you through your first academic year.
STUDENT RESOURCES

Campus Card
312.369.7140
colum.edu/campuscard

Career Center
312.369.7280
careercenter@colum.edu
colum.edu/careercenter

College Advising Center
312.369.7645
collegeadvising@colum.edu
colm.edu/advising

Counseling Services
312.369.8700
counselingservices@colum.edu
colum.edu/counselingservices

Dean of Students Office
312.369.8595
students.colum.edu/dean-of-students

Department of Exhibition and Performance Spaces
312.369.6650
cspaces@colum.edu
colum.edu/deps

Fitness, Athletics, and Recreation
312.369.6920

Global Education/Study Abroad
312.369.7726
alipoffice@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/internationalprograms

Information Technology/Client Services
312.369.7001
clientservices@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/information-technology

The Academic Center for Tutoring
312.369.8130
tutoring@colum.edu
colum.edu/tutoring

Student Diversity & Inclusion
312.369.7569
colm.edu/sdi
inclusion@colum.edu

Trio Conaway Achievement Project
623 S. Wabash, Room 304
312.369.8135
triocap@colum.edu

New Student Programs
312.369.8675
newstudents@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/new

Office of Equity Issues
312.369.8595	
titleIX@colum.edu
colum.edu/titleIX

Office of the Registrar
312.369.7769
registrar@colum.edu
colum.edu/registrar

Residence Life
312.369.7803
residencelife@colum.edu
colum.edu/residencelife

Services for Students with Disabilities
312.369.8296
ssd@colum.edu
colum.edu/ssd

Student Employment
312.369.8521
studentemployment@colum.edu
colum.edu/studentemployment

Student Health Center
312.369.6830
shc@colum.edu
colum.edu/healthcenter

Student Organizations and Leadership
312.369.6924
leadership@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/student-leadership

Student Financial Services
312.369.7140
students.colum.edu/sfs

Student Government
312.369.6657
sgasecretary@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/student-leadership/SGA

Student Programming Board
spb@colum.edu
students.colum.edu/student-leadership/SPB

Student Relations
312.369.8595
ADStudentRelation@colum.edu
colum.edu/studentrelations

Undergraduate Admissions
312.369.7030
admissions@colum.edu
colum.edu/admissions
SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR
UPCOMING FALL 2019 EVENTS

NEW STUDENT CONNECTIONS
Friday, August 30, 2019
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
New Student Connections is department-led programming to kick off the semester for new students. Programming is planned by each academic department and allows new students to have their first in-depth experiences with faculty in their specific majors. Connections events take place across campus from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Friday, August 30th. Orientation Leaders will lead new students from their Connections events to Grant Park for Convocation at 12:00 p.m.

New Student Convocation
Friday, August 30, 2019
12:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.
New Student Convocation is how Columbia welcomes new students to its unique and creative community. This annual event features Columbia’s president, key faculty and administrators, a student services expo and a catered party with live bands, performance art and more. Convocation showcases the talents of our students and alumni. It is a required event for all new students, faculty, and staff.

ENGAGE COLUMBIA
August 30 - October 11, 2019
Engage Columbia is a new student program designed to help support student involvement and engagement outside the classroom. A broad variety of Engage Columbia programs will be presented during the first seven weeks of the fall semester. Events will be scheduled around campus to help you explore campus and build new community here at Columbia.

Engage Columbia will officially begin on Wednesday, August 28th (some events are the week prior) and continue until Friday, October 11th. As students attend Engage Columbia programming, they earn attendance credit by scanning QR codes at the events. This qualifies them to be entered into the contest for scholarships. At the end of the program, 6 students who have attended the highest number of events across all event categories will win one of 6 scholarships. The winners will be announced at the President’s Brunch on Saturday, October 19th, during Columbia Weekend.

Columbia Weekend
October 18 - 19, 2019
Don’t forget to save the date (and tell your family) to come back and visit for Columbia Weekend October 18th - 19th. This is a great opportunity to see Columbia in the height of the semester and invite parents and family to campus for on-site activities led by multiple departments. You can also see student performances, and showcases displaying what students have been doing in their first term, here in the South Loop. Join us for Family Weekend programming, The Crawl, and fun, Maker Sessions.